# **HOUSE BILL No. 1279**

### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-32-5-16.

**Synopsis:** ISTEP for students with disabilities. Provides that a child with a disability may participate in ISTEP testing only if the individuals who develop the child's individualized education program determine the testing is appropriate for the child.

Effective: July 1, 2008.

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January 15, 2008, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.



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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- SECTION 1. IC 20-32-5-16, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 16, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 16. (a) A student who is a child with a disability (as defined in IC 20-35-1-2) shall be tested under this chapter with appropriate accommodations in testing materials and procedures unless only if the individuals who develop the child's individualized education program determine that testing or a part of the testing under this chapter is not appropriate for the student and that an alternate assessment will not be used to test the student's achievement.
- (b) Any decision concerning a student who is a child with a disability (as defined in IC 20-35-1-2) regarding the student's:
  - (1) participation in testing under this chapter;
  - (2) receiving accommodations in testing materials and procedures;
  - (3) participation in remediation under IC 20-32-8; or
- (4) retention at the same grade level for consecutive school years; shall be made in accordance with the student's individualized education



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